

26355. POPULUS LASIOCARPA Oliver.

From Chelsea, London, England. Purchased from Messrs. James Veitch & Sons.
Received December 8, 1909.

"The ovate cordate leaves of this new poplar are extremely large and attractive, measuring 10 to 12 inches in width. They are bright green in color, whilst the petiole, midrib, and principal veins are of a rich red hue. The tree in central China attains a height of 15 to 40 feet and should prove a valuable addition to our ornamental deciduous trees." (*Veitch & Sons.*)

Distribution.—Central China, in the provinces of Hupeh and Szechwan.

26356 to 26362.

From Malkapur, Berar, India. Presented by Mr. A. S. Dhavale. Received November 29, 1909.

Seeds of the following; quoted native names as given by Mr. Dhavale:

26356. CROTALARIA JUNCEA L.

"*Boru.*"

Distribution.—Plains of India from the Himalayas to Ceylon, the Malayan Islands, and Australia. Cultivated for fiber.

26357. DOLICHOS BIFLORUS L.

"*Kulitha.*"

26358. DOLICHOS LABLAB L.

Bonavist bean.

"*Val.*"

26359. GUIZOTIA ABYSSINICA (L.) H. Cass.

"*Karala.*"

26360. PHASEOLUS MAX L.

"*Urid.*"

26361. PHASEOLUS RADIATUS L.

"*Mug.*"

26362. VIGNA CATJANG (Burm.) Walp.

"*Chavali.*" Brown eye, small.

26363 to 26385. GARCINIA MANGOSTANA L.

Mangosteen.

Grown at the United States Department of Agriculture greenhouse, Washington, D. C., numbered December 17, 1909.

"These seedlings were raised from S. P. I. No. 21276, received through Mr. H. F. Macmillan, Royal Botanic Gardens, Peradeniya, Ceylon, August 22, 1907. The seedlings were inarched to 4-year-old plants of *Garcinia tinctoria* (DC.) W. F. Wight (*G. xanthochymus*), S. P. I. No. 11788, raised from seeds obtained from Dr. John C. Willis, director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Peradeniya, Ceylon, October 31, 1904. *G. tinctoria* was used as a nurse plant to which the seedlings of the mangosteen were inarched. Since the unions were effected the mangosteens have made splendid growth and this method promises to be the best one so far as my experimental work in the propagation of the mangosteen has gone. It has been deemed best to give each of these inarched plants a separate S. P. I. number, so that they will not be confused with other mangosteens worked by different methods." (*G. W. Oliver.*)

26386. PUNICA GRANATUM L.

Pomegranate.

From Tripoli, in Barbary, North Africa. Forwarded by the American vice-consul, at the request of Mr. William Coffin, American consul, who presented them to the Department. Received December 10, 1909.